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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5243

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CIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL UDORN

USDEL JEC PARIS

USIA WASHDC

SECDEF

USDAO SAIGON

DIRNSA FT GG MEADE MD

CINCPAC

CINCUSARPAC

COMUSMACTHAI

DEPCHJUSMAGTHAI

CINCPACFLT

CINCPACAF

CDR USSAG NKP

CDR 13 AF ADVON UDORN

388 TFW KORAT

DODSPECREP BANGKOK

DODSPECREP NKP

CHSPECATS BANGKOK

7 ACCS KORAT

354 TFW KORAT RTAFB

56 SOW NKP

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432 TRW UDORN

CDR JCRC NKP  
8 TFW UBON  
ARMA/AIRA VTN LAOS  
ARMA/AIRA SVKT LAOS

C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 5461

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MOPS, PINS, PFOR, LA  
SUBJECT: LAO SITUATION REPORT - 6 AUGUST 1973

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD; 13 AF ADVON, 432 TFW, 56 SOW, 388 TFW,  
354 TFW AND 8 TFW FOR DO/DI; MACTHAI FOR J-2 AND PAO.

REF: VIENTIANE 5411

#### I. MILITARY SITUATION

A. MR'S I, II AND V: NO ACTIVITY REPORTED DURING PERIOD AUGUST 4-6.

B. MR III: MAJOR ENEMY GROUND ATTACK--SUPPORTED BY MORTAR FIRE--  
OCCURRED AUGUST 3, FIFTEEN KM NORTH OF BAN BUN XANG (WD 4622).  
FRIENDLY COMPANY REMAINED IN CONTACT WITH ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY  
FOR TWO HOURS. CCCASUALTIES WERE: 2 FRIENDS KIA AND ONE WIA, WITH  
5 ENEMY KIA AND 10 WIA. MINOR ENEMY GROUND ATTACK TOOK PLACE AUGUST  
2, WHEN ELEMENTS OF FRIENDLY BATTALION CLASHED WITH ESTIMATED PL  
COMPANY 20 KM NORTHEAST OF SENO. NO CASUALTIES REPORTED. RLAF FLEW  
9 T-28 SORTIES AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS THROUGHOUT REGION DURING THIS  
PERIOD. SORTIES WERE NOT IN SUPPORT OF TROOPS IN CONTACT.

C. MR IV: FRIENDLY SQUAD 30 KM NORTHEAST PAKSE ON AUGUST 2. NO  
CASUALTIES REPORTED.

#### II. POLITICAL SITUATION

A. RLG NEGOTIATORS PHENG AND NGON SANANIKONE MET THEIR LPF COUNTER-  
PARTS PHOUMI AND PHOUN ON AUGUST 2, 4, AND 6. ACCORDING TO XAT LAO,  
NO PROGRESS WAS REGISTERED; AGREEMENT IS STILL TO BE REACHED ON  
THE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF DEMARCATION STAKES. IT ADDED THAT RLG  
SIDE ASKED TO "CONSULT THE ARMY ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS." AT SAME TIME,  
VIENTIANE DOMESTIC SERVICE CARRIED ITEM AUGUST 4 QUTOING PHENG AS  
DENYING "ABSOLUTELY" THAT TALKS ARE AT A STANDSTILL.  
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B. PRIME MINISTER SOUVANNA SPENT WEEKEND IN LUANG PRABANG WHERE HE  
BRIEFED KING ON THE STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS. HE RETURNED TO VIENTIANE  
AUGUST 6. BEFORE LEAVING FOR LUANG PRABANG AUGUST 4, HE MET WITH LPF  
PLENIPOTENTIARY PHOUMI VONGVICHIT.  
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